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SUBJ: ECE: SAEP SPECIAL SESSION, JUNE 7-8;
BUCHAREST UNCSTD MEETING

1. EUR/RPE AND EMBASSY OFFICERS MET WITH FRG FOREIGN
OFFICE OFFICIALS (VON SCHUBERT AND HOFFMAN) RESPONSIBLE
FOR ECE, ENVIRONMENT AND UNCSTD MATTERS JUNE 2. IN
DISCUSSIONS ON SAEP SPECIAL PREPARATORY SESSION FOR
POSSIBLE HIGH-LEVEL MEETING ON ENVIRONMENT, HOFFMAN
STATED THAT FRG NOW PREPARED TO DROP INSISTENCE THAT
PREPARATORY WORK NOW CONSIDER IN DETAIL THIRD POSSIBLE
TOPIC. HOFFMAN SAID HE THOUGHT HE COULD CONVINCE
FRG INTERIOR MINISTRY TO SETTLE FOR TWO TOPICS SINGLED
OUT FOR ATTENTION IN ECE RESOLUTION XXXIV-I,
AND WOULD ATTEMPT TO GET EC-NINE TO GO ALONG. HE
ADDED THAT ALTHOUGH HE HAD JUST RECEIVED PAPER FROM
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U.K. INDICATING THAT HMG COULD NOW SUPPORT THE THIRD
TOPIC WHICH FRG HAD FORMERLY PUSHED FOR, TOXIC WASTES,
HE NOW HOPED THAT BRITISH COULD BE DISSUADED TO MAKE
BEST OF TWO TOPICS WHICH ARE CERTAIN TO BE ON AGENDA.

2. HOFFMAN BELIEVES IT WOULD BE A MISTAKE TO SET UP
ANY THIRD WORKING GROUP TO CONSIDER POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL

TOPICS. TO DO SO WOULD, INEVITABLY GIVE IMPETUS TO SELECTION OF A THIRD TOPIC. INSTEAD, THE SAEP IN PLENARY COULD DISCUSS THE SUBJECT OF ADDITIONAL TOPICS IN GENERAL (AND HE SAID FRG WOULD NOT NOW SUPPORT ADDITIONAL TOPICS IT HAD PUSHED IN SEPTEMBER) AND RETURN TO MATTER AT OCTOBER SAEP MEETING. US MISSION MAY WISH TO TAKE ABOVE INTO ACCOUNT, ALONG WITH EARLIER GUIDANCE FROM DEPARTMENT, IN DISCUSSIONS WITH WESTERN REPS PRIOR TO JUNE 7-9 MEETING.

3. VON SCHUBERT EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT AT BUCHAREST REGIONAL UNCSTD MEETING IT WILL PROVE VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO RECONCILE, IN SUCH A SHORT TIME FRAME, WHAT WILL CERTAINLY BE BASIC DIFFERENCES IN EASTERN AND WESTERN VERSIONS OF "REGIONAL" PAPER. WHILE IT APPEARS AT THIS LATE STAGE THAT THERE IS LITTLE THAT CAN BE DONE PRIOR TO BUCHAREST MEETING, VON SCHUBERT DID EXPRESS DESIRE TO CONSULT WITH USDEL AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE IN BUCHAREST.
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